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Letter dated 1 August 2018 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to enclose herewith a comment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine on yet another uncoordinated visit of the Prime Minister of the Russian Federation, Dmitry Medvedev, to the temporarily occupied Autonomous Republic of Crimea, Ukraine (28–29 July 2018) (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under item 34 (a), and of the Security Council.

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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine expresses its strong protest against yet another so-called "visit" of the Prime Minister of the Russian Federation, Dmitry Medvedev, to the temporarily occupied Autonomous Republic of Crimea and city of Sevastopol, Ukraine, on 28 and 29 July 2018.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Ukraine has repeatedly emphasized the inadmissibility of visits by Russian officials to the sovereign territory of Ukraine in its internationally recognized borders, which include the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, without coordination with Ukraine.

This so-called "visit" by Prime Minister Medvedev to the territory of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea is a flagrant violation of the State sovereignty and territorial integrity of Ukraine, showing blatant and demonstrative neglect by the Russian side of universally recognized norms of international law and obligations under bilateral and multilateral treaties to which the Russian Federation and Ukraine are parties, including the Charter of the United Nations and General Assembly resolutions 68/262 of 27 March 2014, entitled "Territorial integrity of Ukraine", 71/205 of 19 December 2016, entitled "Situation of human rights in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol (Ukraine)", and 72/190 of 19 December 2017, entitled "Situation of human rights in the Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol, Ukraine".

The Autonomous Republic of Crimea and the city of Sevastopol are an integral part of the territory of Ukraine in its internationally recognized borders. It is recognized by the whole international community, which has repeatedly made its proper assessment of the internationally illegal actions of the Russian Federation by adopting relevant resolutions of the United Nations, the Council of Europe, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and other international organizations, and imposing sanctions against the occupying State.